

Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater
Minutes of the Board
September 16, 2009

Attending: Sue Boone, Terry Stapleton, Dotti Doyle, Bill Norsworthy, Rev. Abhi Janamanchi, Cassandra alderman, Carl Krave, Sylvia Scott, Bill Snell, Jefferson Taylor, Nancy Warner, Rev Bill Welch

Absent: Susan Hegner, Joe Myers, Joann Shrewsbury, Tricia Weimer

Guest: Ellen Morgan, David Katz

Call to Order: Sue Boone @ 7:00 p.m.

Chalice Lighting and Reading: Sue Boone and Rev Abhi

Check In

Review of Agenda: Accepted by consent

Review of Minutes: Accepted by consent

Treasurer's Report: Accepted. See Financials and Report

Dr David Katz, our new Music Director, who introduced. He spoke of plans for the Music Ministry. There will be a Children's Choir and auditions for the Children's Choir at next year's General Assembly. There are also plans for a music Sunday, Festival of Lights on December 13th. This is the second Sunday of Hanukkah, and there will music celebrating this, as well as music from other traditions for the holidays. There is further information on the website.

Action Items:

Sue Boone presented the additional committee chairs that have been appointed:

Archives – Lynette Wood
Denominational Affairs – Judy Wade
Ushers – Dick Rolfes
Monday Bridge Group – Jane Terrell
Covenant Groups – Tiffany Boggs/Helga Reaves

These were accepted on a motion by Cassie Alderman, seconded by Carl Krave.

Linda Carroll was nominated as Volunteer of the Month and approved.

An RKK Intern Committee has been appointed as follows: Susan Hegner, Chair, Trish Murphy, Frank Tedesco, Matt Boucie, Joanne Osburn, Bill West and Joe Myers. This committee will meet with Nick Ozuna, the intern, on a monthly basis.

RKK Intern Committee approved on a motion by Nancy Warner, seconded by Sylvia Scott.

Start-Up Weekend. Information presented about the plans for this. It will be held on Friday and Saturday October 9 & 10 with dinner at 6:00p.m. Rev Roberta Finklestein, Interim Minister in Orlando, will facilitate the meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to clarify roles and responsibilities of Rev Abhi and Rev Bill and to review the planned ministry structure. The meeting will be from approximately 7 – 9 p.m on Friday and 10 a.m. – 12 p.m Saturday morning with a break for lunch and then work until around 3 p.m. Invitees will include the Board, representation from RE, Membership, and Ministry Committees, as well as the Ministry Structure Task Force.

Ministry Structure Task Force. Terry Stapleton reported that they have met and are collecting information, demographic data, and are reviewing the suggested structures. They are meeting again on 9/17. The cost of the model selected will be linked to the Stewardship campaign. Covenant groups will be involved in Stewardship. Questions were discussed including goals and methodology.

All Church Retreat. Rev Bill presented plans for an “All Church Retreat. He will be sending an email with further information. It is to be held March 12 – March 14, 2010 at the Cedarkirk Camp and Conference Center in Lithia. It will be an opportunity to build community outside of UUC, caring for one another, building friendships, stewardship. It was moved by Cassie Alderman and seconded by Jefferson Taylor to make a deposit of \$2000, pending review of contract, to reserve the site for the retreat. Motion passed with Dotti Doyle and Nancy Warner abstaining.

RKK Building Use. A proposal from Rev Nick Ozuna in regard to use of UUC space by RKK was presented. Essentially, it requests the use of the Patio Room for their services, with their altar in the alcove currently used for storage. They will most likely have services on Sunday evenings. The proposal was accepted on a motion by Bill Snell, seconded by Nancy Warner.

Universal Music Day. This will be held on 10/10/09. The Social Hall may be used for rehearsal. There will be a concert followed by a reception.

Rev Bill’s Report. (See written report.) Rev Bill is particularly concerned about the doors to the RE classrooms not having any windows. He also spoke of

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calendar issues and suggested that anyone wanting to present a workshop or such should have to go through a committee to get support.

Stewardship. Bill Snell reported that Owen Thompson will take the lead in the stewardship campaign. Stewardship Sunday will be March 7, 2010. The kick-off event will be on February 27th.

Rev Abhi's Report. (See written report.) Abhi spoke of Yvonne's resignation and the process to fill the position of Office Administrator. There will be an office party for Yvonne on September 25th. Association Sunday will be January 17, 2010.

Calendar for October. In September there is the UUC picnic on Friday the 19th, Rev Leddy Hammock and Rev Abhi will be swapping pulpits on Sun the 21st, the National Day of Peace, and Rev Dr Michael Schuler is presenting a workshop on sustainability on Sat the 26th.

In October the Bloodmobile will be @ UUC on 10/11, "The Vagina Monologues" will be presented on 10/17, Pathways to Membership starting on 10/24, UU 101 Seminar on 10/20. The reader's Forum will be reading a book by Rev Forrest Church.

Green Sanctuary. Tabled until next month.

Adjourned @ 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dotti Doyle
Secretary to the Board